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MR. PRESIDENT :—" I think, the Hon. the Premier will answer that question."

THE HON. SRI T. PRAKASAM :—" Such enquiries have been generally made. I myself heard several complaints from those who were not able to get what they wanted immediately."

SRI A. GOVINDACHARYULU :—" May I know what is the procedure adopted to find out the need for the possession of cars? "

THE HON. SRI T. PRAKASAM :—" If the hon. Gentleman would put a separate question in fairly clear form, a reply will be attempted."

SRI S. JAYARAM REDDIYAR :—" There are some cases of issue of permits to two members of the same family. Will the Hon. the Premier lay down a principle that as far as possible one car circulates among the members of the family? "

THE HON. SRI T. PRAKASAM :—" The Provincial Motor Transport Controller must have been satisfied with the need for it."

ABDUL LATIF FAROOKHI SAHIB BAHADUR :—" Is there any priority for giving such cars? "

THE HON. SRI T. PRAKASAM :—" Yes. The whole thing hinges upon priority."

K. T. M. AHMED IBRAHIM SAHIB BAHADUR :—" May I know if it is a fact that certain permit holders whose names appear here sold their cars at very high prices and purchased new cars at low prices? "

THE HON. SRI T. PRAKASAM :—" Such things are possible. But we have no definite information."

Courses of studies in the Government Textile Institute and the revival of the Supervisor's Course.

*18 Q.—SRI R. SURYANARAYANA RAO : Will the Hon. the Minister for Industries and Labour be pleased to state—

(a) What courses of studies are at present available in the Government Textile Institute;

(b) whether what was known as the Supervisor's course has been abolished;

(c) whether the Supervisor's course provided training for foremen employed in the spinning and weaving mills;

(d) whether the abolition of the Supervisor's course has resulted in depriving the textile industry of a class of essential skilled workers; and

(e) whether it is proposed to revive the Supervisor's course or anything akin to it in the near future?

THE HON. SRI V. V. GIRI :—" (a) The following courses of instructions are now available in the Institute :—

(1) Weaving Instructors' Course.

(2) Artisan Course in Hand Knitting.

(3) Special Course for Weavers.
(4) Special Course in Jacquard Weaving.
(5) Special Course in Bleaching, Dyeing, and Printing (Hand Processes).
(6) Textile Designing Course.

"(b) The Supervisor's Course in Power Spinning and Weaving and the Supervisor's Course in Dyeing and Finishing were discontinued with effect from the school year 1943–44.

"(c) The Supervisor's Courses were intended to turn out candidates who could serve as Supervisors, Foremen and Assistant Masters of Sections in Spinning and Weaving Mills or in Dyeing and Finishing concerns.

"(d) No investigation has been carried out. In any case the effect on the industries cannot be felt in the course of two years.

"(e) Proposals have been received from the Director of Industries and Commerce for the starting of Diploma Courses in this Institute in
(1) Power Cotton Spinning and Weaving.
(2) Power Bleaching, Dyeing, Finishing and Printing."

Political prisoners in the Province of Madras.

* 19 Q.—SRI R. SURYANARAYANA RAO: Will the Hon. the Minister for Law be pleased to state—

(a) the number and names of political prisoners of this province still in jails;

(b) whether they too have been classified;

(c) what are the privileges to which politicals under different categories are entitled;

(d) whether this classification is revised from time to time; if so, by whom; and

(e) whether the politicals themselves can approach the Government with their representations?

THE HON. SRI K. BHASHYAM:—"(a) There are now no political prisoners in the jails of this Province.

"(b) Political prisoners are also classified.

"(c) Political prisoners are entitled to the same privileges as other prisoners in the respective classes.

"(d) The initial classification of individual prisoners is made by the convicting courts subject to confirmation by Government in the cases of A and B classes. The classification may be revised by the Government on representation received from or on behalf of prisoners whenever such revision is justified. The classification is not revised by Government *suo motu*.

"(e) The answer is in the affirmative."

SRI R. SURYANARAYANA RAO:—"May I ask the Hon. Minister, Sir, whether he has under consideration, or has already 11 a.m.